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## **Sen. Sanborn celebrates Reading Month with area students**

**Lansing** – State Sen. Alan Sanborn, R-Richmond Township, will celebrate Reading Month by reading “The Legend of Sleeping Bear” with students at several area elementary schools this month.

“There are few things more important to the realization of one’s full potential than becoming a strong and confident reader,” Sanborn said. “I love to read, and truly enjoy helping kids develop that same appreciation for books and learning.”

Groups wishing to invite Sanborn to take part in their Reading Month activities are encouraged to plan for Monday or Friday dates as the Senate is in session on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The senator’s reading schedule includes:

### **Friday, March 19:**

- 9:15 a.m. to 10 a.m. – Lobbestael Elementary, 38495 Prentiss St., Harrison Township
- 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. – Sugarbush Elementary, 48400 Sugarbush Road, New Baltimore
- 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. – Naldrett Elementary, 47800 Sugarbush Road, New Baltimore
- 2:15 p.m. to 3 p.m. – Siefert Elementary, 24125 26 Mile Road, Ray

### **Monday, March 22:**

- 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. – Ebeling Elementary, 15970 Haverhill Drive, Macomb
- 10:15 a.m. to 11 a.m. – Switzer Elementary, 53200 Shelby Road, Shelby Township

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- 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. – Romeo Head Start, First Congressional Church, 102 Church St., Romeo

“The Legend of Sleeping Bear” is the official State of Michigan Children's Book. It relates the Ojibwa tale of how the Sleeping Bear dunes were formed. The book is written by Kathy-Jo Wargin and illustrated by Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzenm, both of Michigan.

“Literacy is the single most important element in obtaining a good education and ensuring a child’s success in life,” said Sanborn, who is married to a public school teacher. “And on top of all of that, reading aloud is just a great way to spend quality time with your kids!”

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